



# CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MAY 2004 AGENDA

### ☒ Specific Waiver

<b>SUBJECT</b>  Request by <b>Lucia Mar Unified School District</b> to waive <i>Education Code</i> (EC) Section 51224.5(b), the requirement that all students graduating in the 2003-04 year be required to complete a course in Algebra I (equivalent) to be given a diploma of graduation to <b>18</b> special education students based on EC 56101, the special education authority.  Waiver Number: 9-4-2004	<table border="1"><tr><td data-bbox="1117 403 1445 541"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Action</b></td></tr><tr><td data-bbox="1117 541 1445 753"><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent</b></td></tr></table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Action</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent</b>
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### RECOMMENDATION

☐ Approval ☒ Approval with conditions ☐ Denial

That the request is granted for the 2003-04 school year only. This waiver removes only the requirement that these students successfully complete a course in Algebra I (or its equivalent). These students must meet other course requirements stipulated by the governing board of the school district of enrollment and by EC 51225.3 in order to receive a high school diploma.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISCUSSION AND ACTION

In 2000, legislation was enacted to require students as a condition of receiving a high school diploma to complete Algebra I. The Algebra I requirement applies beginning with students graduating in 2003-04.

### SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

This waiver removes only the requirement that these students must successfully complete a course in Algebra I (or its equivalent) in order to receive a diploma of graduation.

These students are not currently enrolled in Algebra I nor have they successfully completed a course in Algebra I (or its equivalent).

The district has provided documentation or certification that these students have been on diploma track throughout their high school career.

These students did not have the opportunity to complete Algebra I as the result of improper counseling or other failure by the local educational agency in which the school is located. This unfortunate circumstance would otherwise prohibit these students from graduating.

**Authority for the Waiver:** EC 56101

**Bargaining unit(s) consulted on date(s):** Consultation is not required for this waiver.

**Position of bargaining unit(s) (choose only one):** Not required for this waiver

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Neutral

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Support

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Oppose

**Name of bargaining unit(s)/representative(s):** Not required for this waiver.

**Local board approval date(s):** 3/30/2004

**Period of request:** 2003-04 School Year

**FISCAL ANALYSIS (AS APPROPRIATE)**

There will be no adverse fiscal impact to the state if this waiver is approved.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Action Item: Some documentation is available for web viewing. Waiver forms and other hard copy documents are available for viewing at the Waiver Office or the State Board Office.